

Governor's Commission on Hispanic Affairs

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2009 Governor's Hispanic Heritage Awards

NOMINATIONS SUBMISSION DEADLINE: AUGUST 31

Nominations Instructions Page

Each year, Governor Martin O'Malley and the Commission on Hispanic Affairs recognize qualified, outstanding individuals and an organization in Maryland that significantly contribute to the welfare and progress of our community.

The Commission on Hispanic Affairs requests your assistance in identifying qualified candidates for recognition at its Hispanic Heritage Awards Luncheon that will be held September 29, 2009, at the BWI Marriott in Linthicum, in partnership with the Maryland Hispanic Business Conference.

Instructions:

- Complete the Nomination Form
- Attach a one-page Word document detailing why and how the nominee meets the Nomination Criteria
- No more than three (3) nominations from any nominator
- Return completed Nomination Form and one-page Word document via email, fax or U.S. Mail to the address above
- Do NOT send attachments of any other kind, including: resumes, photos, videos, news clips, etc.
- All nominations must be received by email, fax, or postmarked no later than August 31, 2009

The selection of awardees is made by a Selection Committee composed of members of the Commission and the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives. Members judge each nomination individually and assign each nominee any number of points between one (1) and ten (10). The nominee with the highest number of total points within their nomination category is selected to receive the award. Award winners during the past five (5) years are not eligible for consideration for an award in 2009. Additional nomination forms can be downloaded from www.hispanic.maryland.gov.

Nomination Criteria:

- Individual has established commitment to enhance or improve the quality of life of Hispanics.
- Individual exhibits dedication of talent and effort to meaningful service which advances and promotes the development of the social, educational, health, economic, or political welfare of Hispanics in Maryland.
- The individual's contribution to the community must extend above and beyond the call of duty in his/her particular field or profession.
- Nominee must have lived in the State of Maryland for at least three (3) years.
- Emphasize individual's contribution to the above during 2008-2009.

Categories:

Leader on the Rise (Under age 22)
Educator of the Year
Public Safety Hero (Police or Firefighter)
Faith-Based Champion
Civil Rights Champion

Health Care Champion
Volunteer Service Award
Lifetime Achievement Award (Age 55+)
Non-Profit Organization of the Year

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Please Note: All information on the Nomination Form must be filled out. One-page Word document required with the Nomination Form must be included and, you must sign this Nomination Form.

NOMINEE

CATEGORY: (Check only one)

☐ **Leader on the Rise** (Under age 22)

☐ **Health Care Champion**

☐ **Educator of the Year**

☐ **Volunteer Service**

☐ **Public Safety Hero** (Police or Firefighter)

☐ **Lifetime Achievement** (Age 55+)

☐ **Faith-Based Champion**

☐ **Non-Profit Organization of the Year**

☐ **Civil Rights Champion**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL : _____

Attach a one-page Word document detailing why and how the nominee meets the Nomination Criteria

NOMINATOR

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Signature of Nominator

Date

If you have any questions, please contact the Governor's Commission on Hispanic Affairs at 410-767-7857 or at Hispanic@goci.state.md.us

Thank you for taking the time to recognize significant contributors to the Hispanic community of Maryland.